



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Hot, windy, and dry conditions prevailed across Colorado. The State experienced little to no precipitation last week with record high temperatures reported in several areas. Wheat harvest progressed rapidly but the weather has stressed several dry-land crops. Range conditions continue to deteriorate across much of the State due to limited moisture. Farmers were allowed 6.8 days in the field for operations.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	61	29	10	0
Last Week	37	42	21	0
Last Year	10	30	58	2

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	50	38	12	0
Last Week	38	41	21	0
Last Year	18	23	57	2

Small Grains: Winter wheat progressed to 82 percent ripe, 42 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. The crop harvest continued with 45 percent harvested at week's end, 41 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. The crop was rated in mostly fair to good condition. Spring barley was 62 percent headed with the crop rated in mostly good to fair condition. Spring wheat was 55 percent headed at week's end and was reported in mostly good to fair condition.

Row Crops: Last week, corn progressed to 1 percent silked with the crop rated in mostly good to fair condition. The onion crop was rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were rated in mostly fair to good condition. Fall potato emergence increased to 99 percent complete and the crop was rated in mostly good condition. Sugarbeets were rated in mostly good to fair condition. Sorghum progress increased to 96 percent planted, 10 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. The crop was 37 percent emerged and was rated in mostly fair to good condition. Dry bean progress increased to 94 percent planted with 80 percent emerged and the crop rated in mostly fair to good condition. Sunflower planting progressed to 85 percent complete by the end of the week with the crop rated in mostly good to fair condition.

SMALL GRAIN AND ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 24, 2012

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn					
This Week	9	11	29	44	7
Last Year	3	3	24	62	8
Spring Barley					
This Week	1	3	38	52	6
Last Year	0	2	42	47	9
Spring Wheat					
This Week	1	5	47	47	0
Last Year	0	6	48	39	7
Winter Wheat					
This Week	9	23	39	27	2
Last Year	14	18	33	29	6

Pasture and Range: The condition of pastureland rapidly declined due to the combination of high winds and limited moisture. It is rated mostly very poor to fair condition across the State. Alfalfa hay harvest reached 90 percent of the 1st cutting complete and 13 percent of the 2nd cutting complete. The crop was reported in mostly fair to good condition last week.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 24, 2012

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2012	33	37	25	5	0
Prev. Year - 2011	14	25	22	31	8
5-Year Avg.	8	14	27	41	10

Livestock: The condition of livestock remains in mostly good condition. Producers across the State are relocating or reducing their livestock numbers due to the poor condition of pastureland. Death losses for cattle and sheep were average. Stored feed supplies were rated average to short for this time of year.

COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 24, 2012

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	90	81	74	78
2 nd Cutting	13	N/A	-	2
Corn				
Silked	1	-	-	-
Dry Beans				
Planted	94	76	98	90
Emerged	80	42	59	61
Fall Potatoes				
Emerged	99	92	78	85
Sorghum				
Planted	96	88	84	86
Emerged	37	21	38	52
Spring Barley				
Headed	62	40	38	38
Spring Wheat				
Headed	55	37	28	30
Sunflowers				
Planted	85	74	85	90
Winter Wheat				
Ripe	82	40	13	20
Harvested	45	8	6	4

- Represents zero.

N/A Not available.

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	11	13	40	32	4
Dry Beans	5	12	47	34	2
Dry Onions	1	14	23	52	10
Fall Potatoes	0	0	29	62	9
Livestock	5	9	29	53	4
Sorghum	2	14	43	37	4
Sugarbeets	0	9	33	48	10
Summer Potatoes	5	13	43	35	4
Sunflowers	3	10	41	43	3

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.